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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of Kenneth R. Rosensteel, Jr., Bill Lawrence and Howard Hagan for METHOD & DATA PROCESSING SYSTEM PROVIDING FILE I/O ACROSS MULTIPLE HETEROGENEOUS COMPUTER SYSTEMS

Enclosed are:

A Specification including 22 Claim(s);

An Abstract of the Disclosure;

A Drawing comprising 7 sheet(s) showing FIGs. 1 to 11, inclusive;

A Declaration and Power of Attorney; and

An Assignment of the invention to Bull HN Information Systems Inc. with a Recordation Forms Cover Sheet separately authorizing payment of the recording fee.

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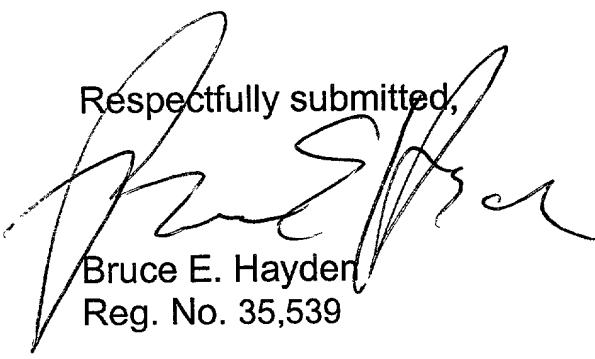
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